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हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार

PANCHAYATI RAJ DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Simla-171002, the 21st December, 1979

No. PCH-HA (3)-3/76.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 163 of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj Act, 1968 (Act No. 19 of 1970), the Governor, Himachal Pradesh proposes to make the following amendments in the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (General) Financial, Budget, Accounts, Audit, Taxation, Service and Allowances Rules, 1975 published in the Rajpatra (Extraordinary) dated 22nd November, 1975 *Vide* Notification No. 1-2/70-Panch, dated the 25th September, 1975 and the same are hereby published in the Official Gazette for the information of the general public and a notice is hereby given that these draft amendments will be taken into consideration after fifteen days from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

If any person affected thereby, desires to take any objection or has any suggestion to make regarding these draft amendments, he may send the same to the Director of Panchayati Raj, Himachal Pradesh, Simla-171002 before the expiry of the aforesaid period. The objections or suggestions, if any, so received, will be taken into consideration before finalising these draft amendments in the aforesaid rules.

DRAFT AMENDMENTS

1. **Amendment of Rule 52.**—The sign“.” occurring at the end of rule 52 of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (General) Financial, Budget, Accounts, Audit, Taxation, Service and Allowances Rules, 1975 (hereinafter called the “said rules”) the sign “;” shall be substituted and thereafter the following clause (iii) shall be inserted, namely:—

“(iii) Zila Parishad.”

2. **Amendment of rule 53.**—In rule 53 of the said rules, the words “Deputy Commissioner” shall be substituted by the words “Zila Parishad”.

3. **Amendment of rule 55.**—In the table below rule 55 of the said rules, the words “Zila Parishad” shall be substituted for the words “Deputy Commissioner” wherever these occur.

4. **Amendment of rules 63, 64 and 65.**—In rule 63, 64 & 65 of the said rules, the words “Deputy Commissioner” and “his” wherever these occur shall be substituted by the words “Zila Parishad” and “its” respectively.

5. **Substitution of appendix to part ‘B’.**—For the existing appendix to Part ‘B’ of the said Rules the following appendix shall be substituted, namely :—

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF VARIOUS RULES

S. No.	Rule for the purposes whereof the powers to be exercised	Nature of power	Panchayat Samiti upto Rs.	Zila Parishad upto Rs.	Zila Parishad for Panchayat Samiti upto Rs.	Government for Panchayat Samiti and Zila Parishad upto Rs.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Scheme Heads:—"B—Agriculture extension," N—Forests and works Expenditure " Under appropriate Head :							
1.	90 and 117(1)	To sanction individual Schemes .	10,000	20,000	20,000	Full powers	
2.	-do-	To sanction expenditure on the purchase of stores and materials through prescribed sources for the execution of each scheme.	5,000	10,000	10,000	-do-	
3.	-do-	To sanction grant-in-aid to the Gram Panchayats and to educational, Public Health or any other public Institutions.	10,000	10,000	20,000	-do-	The competent authority as in col. 5 shall exercise these powers provided the expenditure is declared as valid charge on Zila Parishad Fund.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4.	90 & 117 (1)	To accord administrative approval to original works.	40,000 (in each case).	40,000 (in each case).	50,000 (in each case).	Full powers	These powers are subject to the approval of estimates technically by the competent authority as may be determined by the Government.
5.	-do-	To accord administrative approval for the repair and maintenance of works.	20,000 (each case).	20,000 (each case).	40,000 (each case).	-do-	-do-
6.	-do-	To sanction the repair of tools and plants including the agricultural implements and other demonstration equipment.	500/- (in each case).	500 (in each case).	1,000 (in each case).	-do-	-do-
Head of Account "A—Establishment—Other Expenditure (Contingencies)":							
7.	-do-	To sanction purchase of Stationery.	600 (per annum).	3000 (per annum).	1000 (per annum).	-do-	—
8.	-do-	To sanction printing charges.	600 (per annum).	5000 (per annum).	1000 (per annum).	-do-	—
9.	-do-	To sanction advertisement charges.	1000 (per annum).	1000 (per annum).	2,000 (per annum).	-do-	—
10.	-do-	To sanction supply of livery, cross	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	Subject to the condition in the rules for the supply of liveries etc. in Govt. departments pro-

		belts, badges, clothing and washing allowance as admissible to the corresponding class of the State Govt. servants to the tax collector, driver, process server and other class IV regular employees of the Samiti.						vided that a Tax Collector shall be entitled to the uniform subject to any limit that may be laid down by Govt.
11.	-do-	To sanction purchase of postage stamps.	-do-	-do-	—	—	—	
12.	-do-	To sanction small monthly payments for supplying drinking water and for dusting offices.	-do-	-do-	—	—	—	Subject to the condition that the monthly rate should not exceed the limit fixed by the Deputy Commissioner of the Distt.
13	-do-	To sanction the renting of buildings for use as office or store.	150 P. M.	200 P.M.	Full powers	Full powers		Subject to the condition that the reasonability of rent certificate Should be obtained from the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Public Works

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							Division, if rent exceeds Rs. 50/- per month.
			Scheme Head : "A—Establishment-Other Expenditure (Contingencies)."				
			—	Full powers	Full powers	—	In the case of Panchayat Samiti office, the expenditure on account of hiring of ceiling fans is normally met from the block budget. The sanction to hire ceiling fans from Samiti fund should be accorded in very exceptional cases.
14.	90 & 117 (1)	To sanction the hiring of ceiling fans for use in office for a period not exceeding 5 months. (1st May to 30th September).					
15.	-do-	To sanction payment of rates or taxes levied by statute or by local rules or order.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
16.	-do-	To sanction expenditure on binding of registers and books.	-do-	-do-	—	—	—
17.	-do-	To sanction remittance of pay and allowances by money orders or through bank drafts to establishment serving	-do-	-do-	—	—	—

at a distance of more than 8 kms from the headquarter of Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad.

18.	-do-	To sanction expenditure on petrol, oils and maintenance of vehicle	300 (P.M.)	300 (P.M.)	(400 (P.M)	Full powers	—
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Head of Account: "O—Other [Expenditure"

19.	-do-	To sanction payment of audit fee.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
20.	-do-	To sanction charges & expenses outside the Samiti area.	—	—	10,000	Full powers	Provided such charges are for the benefit of Samiti area.

Head of Account: "A—Establishment— Other [Expenditure (Contingencies)"

21.	-do-	To sanction law charges.	Rs. 200 (in each case).	Rs. 200 (in each case).	500 (in each case)	(in Full Powers	—
22.	-do-	To sanction election expenses.	—	—	—	-do-	—
23.	-do-	To sanction payments of contributions towards provincialised schools, hospitals, dispensaries, Panchayati raj Public Works Circle and other contributions fixed by the Govt. from time to time.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
24.	-do-	To sanction payment of land revenue of lands vested in the	-do-	-do-	—	—	—

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	Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad, as the case may be.						
25. 90 & 117 (1)	To sanction expenditure on fairs, shows and exhibitions for which fees have been levied under Section 121 of the H.P. Panchayati Raj Act, 1968.	500 (in each occasion).	—	Full powers	—	—	—
Head of Account: "O—Other Expenditure" or "A—Establishment—Other Expenditure(Contingencies)":							
26. -do-	To sanction non-recurring expenditure chargeable to contingencies, where no special powers are prescribed in this appendix.	Rs. 1000 (on any one item)	Rs. 1000 (on any one item)	Rs. 1500 (on any one item)	Full powers	For the purpose of this rule, furniture will be treated as one item, which will include tables, chairs, stools, benches, racks, trays, foot-rests, waste paper baskets, almirahs, confidential boxes, floor durries, washing stand, towel stand and commod.	
27. -do-	To sanction recurring expenditure chargeable to contingencies where no	Rs. 100 (P.M.)	Rs. 250 (P.M.)	Rs. 200 (P.M.)	Full powers		

28.	-do-	special power is prescribed in this appendix. To sanction the payment of bills on account of electric energy and telephone calls.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
29.	98	To sanction the investigation of claims more than one year old.	Miscellaneous Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
30.	112 (3) Note (2).	To sanction the conversion of percentage deduction from the bills of the contractors into any other form of security.		Full—powers	Full powers	—	—
31.	112 (3) Note (4).	To sanction the repayment of retransfer of security to the depositor or to dispose of otherwise except in accordance with the terms of the agreement.	Full powers	-do-	—	—	—
32.	115 (3)	To sanction refund of deposits credited to revenue.	—	Full powers	Full powers	—	—
33.	108, 124 (2)	Waiving of recovery of over-payments.	Rs. 20 (in each case)	Rs. 20 (in each case).	Rs. 50 (in each case).	Full powers	—
34.	109 (1)	To write off stores rendered unserviceable in normal working or use.	Rs. 300 (each item)	Rs. 300 (each item).	Rs. 400 (each item).	Full powers	In exercise of these powers the furniture will be treated

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							as one item as defined against serial No. 26 of this appendix.
35.	112 (1)	To exempt an official to deposit the amount of security when he is appointed in leave vacancy or as a temporary measure.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	—
36.	117 (1)	To vary the terms of contract once entered into.	Full powers	Full powers	—	—	Provided that the rates entered in the contract agreement are not enhanced.
37.	117 (5)	To sanction the payment to a contractor by way of compensation or otherwise outside the strict terms of contract or in excess of contract rates.	—	—	—	Full powers	—
38.	124(2)	To write off losses on account of shortage of stores.	Rs. 100 during financial year).	Rs. 200 during financial year).	Rs. 200 during financial year).	-do-	—
39.	-do-	To sanction disposal by public auction of stores found useless or obsolete or have been rendered surplus and cannot be put to any use.	Rs. 250 (each item).	Rs. 500 (each item).	Rs. 500 (each item).	-do-	In exercise of these powers, furniture will be treated as one item as defined against S. No. 26 of this appendix.

8. Substitution of rule 186.—For the existing Rule 186 of the said rules the following rule 186, shall be substituted, namely:—

“186. There shall be paid a monthly honorarium of rupees one hundred to the Chairman of the Panchayat Samiti and rupees one hundred and fifty to the Chairman of the Zila Parishad for performing all official duties and journeys concerning the Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad, as the case may be, within the Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad area, as the case may be, including attending of meeting, supervision of plans, projects, schemes and other works and also for the discharge of all lawful obligations and implementation of Government directives.

9. Substitution of rule, 192.—For the existing rule 192 of the said rules the following rule 192 shall be substituted, namely:—

“192 (1) The T.A. bills of the non-official members shall be countersigned by the Executive officer in the case of Panchayat Samiti and by the Secretary in the case of Zila Parishad. The T.A. bills of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panchayat Samiti and Zila Parishad shall be countersigned by the Chairman of the Zila Parishad and the Deputy Commissioner concerned, respectively.

(2) The bills for the travelling and daily allowances shall be prepared on the form appended to these rules, which shall be filled in and sent to the Executive Officer or the Secretary of the Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad, as the case may be, in duplicate-one copy being stamped and receipted for payment at the office of the Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad, as the case may be:

Provided that:—

- (i) no claim on account of travelling allowance of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman or member of a Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad which is not preferred within one year of its becoming due shall be paid without pre-audit by the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, Himachal Pradesh;
- (ii) a claim on account of travelling allowance of a Vice-Chairman or a member of Panchayat Samiti which is preferred after the expiry of one year of its becoming due shall not be pre-audited by the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, Himachal Pradesh without the sanction of the Chairman of the Panchayat Samiti;
- (iii) a claim on account of travelling allowance of a Chairman of a Panchayat Samiti, Vice-Chairman and members of the Zila Parishad preferred after the expiry of one year of its becoming due shall not be pre-audited by the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, Himachal Pradesh without the sanction of the Chairman of the Zila Parishad; and
- (iv) a claim on account of travelling allowance of Chairman of a Zila Parishad preferred after the expiry of one year of its becoming due shall not be pre-audited by the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, Himachal Pradesh without the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner of the district.

- (3) The expenditure on account of travelling allowance in respect of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and non-official members of the Panchayat Samiti shall be debitable to Samiti fund and that of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and non-official members of the Zila Parishad to the Zila Parishad Fund ”.

Sd/-
Under Secretary.